(SRI B. D. JATTI)

high prices Government felt that the restrictions imposed on the inter-district movement of foodgrains as well as the ceiling relating to maximum selling prices should be removed. Accordingly the statutory orders relating to the maximum selling prices and the ban on the inter-district movement of foodgrains were rescinded with effect from 5-6-1965. With the removal of these restrictions there was some increase in the prices in the surplus districts and decrease in the prices in the deficit districts. The price level in all the aresa, however, got stabilised after some time and foodgrains started moving into the market to the extent they were available.

(*b*) The desired effect was achieved.

Steel Factory at Hospet.

*Q.—273. Sri S. SIVAPPA (Sharavanabelagola).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have received any communique from the Central Government regarding the establishment of Steel Factory at Hospet ;

(*b*) if so, what is the nature of the communique ;

(*c*) whether the centre has held any discussion with the State Government about this ?

A.—Sri K. MALLAPPA (Minister for Industries and Commerce).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) No.

Rate of Food Grains

*Q.—275. Sri S. SIVAPPA (Shravanabelagola).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have the statistical data about the prevailing rates of the foodgrains (staple) in the markets in the various parts of the State during the last three months ;

(*b*) whether the Government have made any arrangements to distribute the foodgrains through the fair price depots of their own ;

(*c*) if not why ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food).—

(*a*) Yes.

(b) No; but the work of distribution of foodgrains has been entrusted to the fair price shops run by individuals and by Co-operative Societies.

(c) Government do not consider it necessary to open fair price shops of their own for the present as the present system of distribution of foodgrains through the fair price shops run by individuals and by Societies has been working smoothly. However if no Society or individual is forthcoming, Government will consider the question.

Defunct Co-operative Societies in Hassan District

*Q.—277. Sri S. SIVAPPA (Shravanabelagola).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of Co-operative Societies that have become defunct in Hassan District and Channarayapatna in particular;

(b) what are the reasons for that ?

A.—Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Co-operation and Housing).—

(a) 106 and 12 respectively.

(b) (i) Adverse seasonal conditions prevailing for the last two to three years in the area.

(ii) Lack of proper leadership in the villages.

(iii) Committees of Management not taking timely and prompt action to recover overdue loans.

Constitution of Taluk Development Boards

*Q.—278. Sri S. SIVAPPA (Shravanabelagola).—

Will the Government be pleased state :—

(a) when the Taluk Development Boards were constituted in the State (Districtwise information may be given);

(b) what is the usual term of these Boards and for what time they have been extended.

(c) what is the reason for their extension ?

A.—Sri R. M. PATIL (Minister for Development, Panchayatraj and Municipal Administration).—

(a) Please see list appended.

(b) Four years from the date of constitution. This term has been extended for the duration of the Emergency.

(c) On account of the grave emergency in the country.